

## **Law and Justice Interim Committee**

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#### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

# Law and Justice Interim Committee: Meeting #5

Thursday and Friday, January 10 and 11, 2008 Room 137, Capitol, Helena

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#### Day 1, Thursday, January 10, 2008

10:00 a.m. Call to order and roll call Approval of Minutes

10:05 a.m. Staff briefing on the Two Rivers detention center in Hardin and the lawsuit filed by the City of Hardin and Two Rivers Authority against the State of Montana and the Department of

Corrections, Ms. Valencia Lane, staff attorney

10:30 a.m. Problems a hospital faces when a person is brought to the hospital for medical treatment

after an encounter with local law enforcement and the county does not formally arrest the person or the county provides for the person to be "unarrested", **Mr. Mike Foster**,

Regional Director of Advocacy, St. Vincent's Health Care, Billings

11:00 a.m. County response, **Mr. Kevin Gillan**, Deputy County Attorney, Yellowstone County

11:30 a.m. Public Comment

12 noon LUNCH

1:00 p.m. What are the unique challenges with respect to diversion alternatives for Native American youth who become involved in Montana's juvenile justice system?

- Ms. Sherry Matteucci, former U.S. Attorney for District of Montana, member of the Montana Board of Crime Control, currently a private practice attorney in Billings -- legal process and federal, state, and tribal jurisdictional issues related to diversion options
- Mr. William Snell, Executive Director, In-Care Network, Inc. -- the therapeutic foster care model for justice-involved youth (not confirmed)
- Ms. Karen Duncan, Youth Community Corrections
   -- current cultural programs for Native American Youth

2:00 p.m. Public Comment

2:30 p.m. Youth Services follow-up and response from the committee's Nov. 30 meeting, **Ms. Karen Duncan**, Youth Community Corrections Bureau Chief, Department of Corrections

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3:15 p.m. Rule reviews, **Ms. Valencia Lane**, staff attorney

Staff overview of committee budget and work plan update, Ms. Sheri Heffelfinger

3:30 p.m. Committee discussion

4:30 p.m. Recess until 8:00 a.m., January 11

#### Day 2, Friday, January 11, 2008

8:00 a.m. Reconvene in Room 102, **Sen. Dan McGee**, Chairman

8:05 a.m. Committee Working Groups

-- sort through issues raised to date

-- determine which issues the committee should engage further and how to engage them

-- identify information needs and priorities

# Working Group 1 - Adult justice system - Room 137

**SJR 24** (Laslovich) - diversion alternatives for mental health and nonviolent drug offenders

**HJR 26** (Callahan) - policy priorities and implementation plan for mental health treatment in adult criminal justice system -- youth component to be addressed under SJR 6

**HJR 50** (Becker) - civil involuntary mental health commitment, precommitment process and costs

Working Group 2 - Juvenile justice system - Room 102

**SJR 6** (Schmidt) - study all aspects of the juvenile justice system -- *include youth mental health components of HJR 26 study* 

Briefing(s) on youth detention alternatives and other juvenile justice matters -- speaker(s) TBD

12:00 noon LUNCH

1:00 p.m. Full Committee to reconvene in Room 137

Reports and recommendations from each working group

2:30 p.m. Public Comment

3:00 p.m. Committee Discussion

Instructions to staff

3:30 p.m. Adjournment

If you plan to attend the meeting and will need special services or accommodations, please contact Sheri Heffelfinger at 406-444-3596 or by email, sheffelfinger@mt.gov before the meeting. Cl0429 7353shxa.